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## Helicopter Surveys Scheduled for Week of September 29

In order to gain further scientific information, the National Park Service will be contracting for follow-up helicopter surveys during the week of September 29<sup>th</sup> at Point Reyes National Seashore. These surveys have been used in the past to count deer and elk in the park. The helicopter surveys will focus on capturing, collaring, then releasing the non-native fallow deer which will in turn give scientists more accurate population estimates for these non-native deer within the Seashore's boundaries. The following week would be held as a backup in case of inclement weather.

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